## TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROCEED WITH 341 MEETING OF CREDITORS BY VIDEO CONFERENCE AND PROCEDURES REGARDING SAME

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Meeting of Creditors provided for under 11 U.S.C. § 341 will not take place in person. Instead, the Meeting of Creditors will be held virtually by video, using Zoom.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that to appear telephonically, with no video capability, you must seek prior approval from the trustee.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that to attend the virtual 341 Meeting of Creditors, follow the instructions below for logging in to a Zoom Meeting:

#### There are 3 Methods to Join the Zoom Meeting

1-If you have the internet, use this link from a computer, smartphone or tablet **with video and audio** capability:

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84672755858?pwd=SIZIQ3N2aVAxSWFIN3dBcTZRZG5nUT09

2- From ANY telephone, dial ANY of these numbers:

+1 929 205 6099 US (New York) +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

You will be prompted to enter:

Meeting ID: 846 7275 5858

Passcode: 458916

If you are calling from outside the United States, find your local number:

https://zoom.us/u/adaryMPKcw

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the virtual 341 Meeting of Creditors will be electronically recorded. To ensure the quality of the record, please be sure to limit any background noise. Participants must be able to hear all parties for the entirety of the virtual 341 Meeting of Creditors.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that verification of the Debtor(s)' photo identification and evidence of the Debtor(s)' social security number must be provided to the trustee according to my office procedures. Please contact my office

if you have any questions.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that all required documents must be submitted to the trustee through my document management system, Axos Document

Delivery Portal, according to my normal office procedures.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that failure to comply with the above

procedures shall be deemed a failure to appear at the 341 Meeting of Creditors.

All Debtors must read the Bankruptcy Information Sheet BEFORE the meeting.

The meeting will not be held unless the Debtor has read this prior to the meeting.

You can download it in English and many other languages here:

https://www.justice.gov/ust/bankruptcy-information-sheet-0

/s/ Lynn E. Feldman

Lynn E. Feldman Chapter 7 Trustee 2310 Walbert Avenue, Ste 103 Allentown, PA 18104 Telephone: (610) 530-9285

Email: trustee.feldman@rcn.com

# MEMORANDUM FOR BANKRUPTCY ATTORNEYS

<u>From:</u> Lynn E. Feldman, Esq.

Chapter 7 Trustee

To: All Bankruptcy Attorneys

<u>Subject:</u> Procedures for practice before Lynn E. Feldman, Chapter 7 Trustee

<u>ALL</u> items must be submitted via the Epiq Document Delivery System. You will receive an invitation from the Trustee. If you have not received a link from the Trustee with registration instructions, please notify the Trustee at <a href="mailto:trustee.feldman@rcn.com">trustee.feldman@rcn.com</a> or call 610-530-9285.

#### I. REQUIRED AT LEAST SEVEN (7) DAYS PRIOR TO THE ORIGINAL 341 MEETING:

#### 1. Tax Returns:

Under Section 521(e)(2)(i), you are required to provide the Trustee your most recently filed Federal Income Tax Return (or the transcript if the return is not available) at least seven (7) days prior to your meeting date, or an Affidavit of no tax return within 5 years.

If no Tax Return is provided **BEFORE** the 341 Meeting of Creditors, **the meeting may not be held**. **NO TAX RETURNS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE 341 MEETING.** 

#### 2. Pay Advices:

Sixty (60) days of <u>pre-petition</u> pay advices must also be filed with Court <u>at least seven (7) days prior</u> <u>to the 341 Meeting</u>. If they are not, you may be required to return for a continued meeting or the meeting may not be held at the discretion of the Trustee.

#### 3. Domestic Support Obligations:

You must provide to the Trustee, **NO LATER THAN SEVEN (7) DAYS PRIOR TO THE 341 MEETING**, the name and address of any to whom the Debtor pays court ordered support.

#### II. ITEMS TO PRODUCE PRIOR TO THE 341 MEETING

- 1. Written proof of value of real estate owned by Debtor(s) or in which Debtor(s) has an interest.
- 2. HUD-1 Settlement Statement for any real estate sold by the Debtor(s) within the last 4 years
- 3. Any Property Settlement Agreements entered into within the last 4 years before the bankruptcy filing.
- 4. Mortgage statements showing current balance due, AND copy of recorded deed and mortgage.
- 5. Recent business tax return if the Debtor(s) is associated in any way with a business entity.
- 6. Contact information for any attorney representing the Debtor(s) in any current legal action.
- 7. <u>Most recent paystub</u>
- 8. Bank Statement as of date of filing for all financial accounts (please be advised that the Trustee

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#### MEMORANDUM IF NO ATTORNEY

From: Lynn E. Feldman, Esq.

Chapter 7 Trustee

To: All Self Represented Debtors

Subject: Procedures for appearances before Lynn E. Feldman, Chapter 7 Trustee

<u>ALL</u> items must be submitted to the Trustee via E-mail (PREFERRED): lynn@feldmanlawoffices.onmicrosoft.com

Or via First Class Mail to: Lynn E. Feldman, Feldman Law Offices, 2310 Walbert Ave., Allentown, PA 18104 (No documents sent by mail will be returned)

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#### **Remote Identification Procedures:**

For cases where the debtor is appearing by video:

- (i) I will ask the debtor to hold up the ID and proof of SSN to the camera and examine them as I normally would.
- (ii) I will confirm review of the ID and proof of SSN on the record as I normally would.

For cases where **debtor** is appearing by audio but not video (e.g. telephone), the attorney should:

- (i) The Debtors shall copy, scan, or take a picture of their valid ID and proof of SSN and provide them to their attorneys. Debtors' attorneys shall upload the documents to the trustee at least 7 days prior to the 341 meeting. I will review the ID and proof of SSN prior to the meeting.
- (ii) Debtors' attorneys shall transmit to the trustee a completed Declaration Confirming Debtor Identity and SS No. (Please see below.)
- (iii) During the meeting, we will confirm on the record that counsel has reviewed Debtors' valid ID and proof of the Debtors' SSN (stating what was used to verify, e.g. Valid Driver's License and original social security card) verifying the Debtor testifying is the person whose name is on the petition and that the SSN matches what was reported to the court in the bankruptcy case.

#### <u>DECLARATION REGARDING</u> <u>CONFIRMATION OF IDENTITY AND SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER</u>

	of telephonic or video conference appearance at § 341(a) meeting of creditors:
	I declare as follows:
1)	My name is:(Print or type)
2)	(Print or type)  My work address is:
3)	My work telephone number is: ()
4)	The address from where I participated in the § 341(a) meeting of creditors is:
5)	I personally verified the identity of the debtor by checking his/her original photo identification:  Driver's License or ID Card (State & Name listed)  State Identification (State & Name Listed)  Passport (Country, number, expiration date, Name)  Military Identification (Branch & Name)  Other (describe)
5)	I personally verified the identity of the co-debtor by checking his/her original phot identification Driver's License or ID Card (State & Name listed)
	State Identification (State & Name Listed) Passport (Country, number, expiration date, Name) Military Identification (Branch & Name) N/A Other (describe)
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#### **Video/Phone Etiquette Guidelines**

The following video/phone etiquette guidelines will be required of all parties:

- a. Mute the call/audio while your meeting is not being held.
- b. Speak clearly and hold the camera steady.
- c. Limit all background noise while your meeting is being held.
- d. No speaker phone unless two or more persons are appearing on the same line, i.e., debtor and counsel or joint-filing debtors.
- e. Debtors and counsel are to be at a set location, and not in transit, so that full attention can be given to the questions being asked. High speed internet access is recommended.
- f. Only debtors and their counsel as well as creditors or interested parties will be allowed on the connection, i.e., no "moral support" or supplementary answers to be provided by friends or family.
- h. Any telephonic or video appearances by debtors without their counsel also present on the conference / call at the appointed time will result in a continuance. After two failed attempts, the trustee will ask for a show cause hearing seeking dismissal of the case.
- i. Attorney for the debtor(s) must share their invitation information for participation in the video or teleconferencing 341 meeting with debtors and any creditors wishing to participate in the meeting.
- j. Debtors must bring to the remote video meeting picture identification and an original document containing their complete Social Security Number.
- k. Debtors must have available to them at the remote meeting site, copies of signature pages and the entire copies of the Voluntary Petition, Declaration of Schedules, Statement of Financial Affairs, and Form 22A (Means Test Form).

These temporary policies and procedures do not otherwise affect a debtor's requirement to submit and provide all other necessary documents to the Court and to the Trustee. Also, please check back often as these procedures will continue to change due to the dynamics of the circumstances.

### Frequently Asked Questions

The following questions assume Debtor's counsel e-mails a copy of the debtor's DL; SS Card; and has a copy of either the ink signed or electronically signed Voluntary Petition, Declaration of Schedules, Statement of Financial Affairs, and Form 22A in his possession.

#### 1. Is Zoom secure?

ANSWER: As with any computer based product, new users should read and become familiar with the provider's privacy policy. By looking through its privacy policy and some of its support documents, you quickly discover that Zoom allows the host to track participant's attention during calls, shares certain amounts of data it collects with third parties, and has already one security vulnerability. These issues are mitigated with sensible data protection practices. See, <a href="https://protonmail.com/blog/zoom-privacy-issues/?utm\_source=digg">https://protonmail.com/blog/zoom-privacy-issues/?utm\_source=digg</a>

2. Do I need to sign up for a PRO or BUSINESS account or would your account status as the host dictate the available options to users?

ANSWER: No, as host of the conference, I purchased a pro account to ensure that the full range of utilization is available to any and all participants.